

U.S. Officials Only

SECRET

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

INFORMATION REPORT

25X1A

COUNTRY Bulgaria

SUBJECT Bulgarian Training With New Soviet Weapons
25X1APLACE ACQUIRED
(BY SOURCE)DATE ACQUIRED
(BY SOURCE)

DATE (OF INFO.)

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES, WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 18, SECTIONS 793 AND 794, OF THE U.S. CODE, AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS TO OR RECEIPT BY AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. THE REPRODUCTION OF THIS REPORT IS PROHIBITED.

25X1X THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

SOURCE

ORR NO.	
DAS NO.	
OCI NO.	

DATE DISTR. 25 Feb 1954

NO. OF PAGES 1

NO. OF ENCLS.

SUPP. TO
REPORT NO.

1. A large training center has been set up at Shumen (now called Kolarovgrad). It is devoted to standardization of the Bulgarian Army's weapons and to training Bulgarian Army instructors in the use of the new Soviet weapons. The center has numerous Soviet instructing officers. Some of them have been in Bulgaria for a considerable period. Others have recently arrived.
2. The center prepares training cadres, which are to be sent, as model demonstration troops, to the different garrisons in the east and southeast of Bulgaria. Also installed at Shumen (Kolarovgrad) are motorized infantry units and a complete division staff.
3. From what can be heard at Shumen, it may be concluded that the most recently arrived Soviet instructors are by no means satisfied. They do not believe that the Bulgarian troops have, by any means, mastered the new weapons.

-end-

LIBRARY SUBJECT & AREA CODES

238.3	20M
238.2	20M

U.S. Officials Only
SECRET

DISTRIBUTION	STATE	ARMY	NAVY	AIR	FBI						
--------------	-------	------	------	-----	-----	--	--	--	--	--	--

This report is for the use within the USA of the Intelligence components of the Departments or Agencies indicated above. It is not to be transmitted overseas without the concurrence of the originating office through the Assistant Director of the Office of Collection and Dissemination.